HOW DID THAT...

...END UP LIKE THIS?

Chapter I
The Monoclass Law

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AAA AAHN..

THE SUN ALWAYS MANAGES TO GET RIGHT IN MY FACE. HEH.

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FuP

GOOD MORNIN' MOM!

MORNIN', KNOT!

COME DOWN AND HAVE BREAKFAST. I'VE ALREADY MADE UP THE TABLE FOR THE BOTH OF US.

AND DIDN'T EVEN ASK FOR HELP?

DIDN'T NEED IT.

ALRIGHT, BUT WHY DIDN'T YOU WAIT FOR ME SO WE COULD DO IT TOGETHER?

I THOUGHT YOU WERE GONNA SLEEP TILL NOON AGAIN. HE HE

OW, C'MON IT'S NOT LIKE I WAKE UP LATE EVERY DAY.

I MEAN, IT'S JUST ALMOST EVERY DAY BUT STILL...

ANYWAY, TODAY'S SWORD TRAINING D

NOPE.

HUH? BUT... WHAT'S UP?

YOU GOTTA DO YOUR CHORES. TODAY'S YOUR DAY.

BUT TODAY'S ALSO THE DAY I GO TRAINING WITH CYRUS!

WE'RE ALSO GOING TO THE VILLAGE MARKET.

AND DON'T YOU FORGET...

...YESTERDAY'S DISHES.

C'MOOOOON..
MOM!
GIVE ME A BREAK!
JUST TODAY PLEASE!

I THINK IT'S WISE FOR YOU TO START SOON, KNOT.

BOOOHOOO...
ALRIGHT
ALRIGHT..

THIS IS JUST ANOTHER QUEST FOR YOUR LITTLE KNOT.

OF MANY TO COME..

GUSH

SHAA

GASH

YOU'RE DOING THE DISHES WITH THAT BROOM TOO?

HE HE HE

DOOM

AND NO MESS ON THE SINK AFTER.

SHK
SHK

?

I-I'M DONE

GREAT!

HOLY DOVE! IT'S ALL SO CLEAN.

TH-THANKS MOM... NOW CAN I GO TRAINING AND-

NOW WE'RE GOING TO THE VILLAGE TO BUY BREAKFAST FOR THE REST OF THE WEEK!

YOU CAN TAKE YOUR SWORD, SWEETIE

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AS SOON AS YOU'RE READY, WE'RE LEAVING!

ALRIGHT! GOING!

SO WE'RE OFF!

CLIC

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DID YOU KNOW, MOM ...

YOU'RE A VERY LUCKY LADY...

... CONSIDERING YOU GOT LITOS' BEST ESCORT ALWAYS BY YOUR SIDE!

OH... IS THAT SO?

UH, WELL...

I'M ONLY WAITING FOR THE ROYAL GUARD TO ACCEPT ME AS A PALADIN!

THEN, I'LL BE KNOWN ACROSS THE LAND AS...

...THE FEARSOME-

AHNFF

HEY, KNOT!

MEOOOOOOOW

WHAT'S UP, KNOT? SEE ANY ENEMIES FROM UP THERE?

YOU'RE INVISIBLE, GECKO ...

OH! WOW! HAHA! SORRY FOR SCARING YOU, KNOT!

S-SCARING? I-I'M NOT SCARED... I'M JUST MAKING SURE IF THERE ARE ANY ENEMIES NEARBY AND THIS TREE GIVES ME AN ADVANTAGEOUS POSITION Y-Y'KNOW...

YEAH, SURE. GET DOWN FROM THERE, KNOT. WE'RE LATE.

ARE YOU GUYS GOING TO THE VILLAGE MARKET?

YUP. AND WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

OH, I WAS JUST IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD AND DECIDED TO STOP BY AND SAY HI!

FANTASTIC!

900+

SUBS!!

ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT FOR ENEMIES, RIGHT, KNOT?

UNCLE GECKO !!!

WANNA JOIN US, GECKO?

SURE!

SO NOW I'VE GOT TWO PEASANTS UNDER MY PROTECTION HUH?

DON'T YOU WORRY! FOR I SHALL GET YOU BOTH TO THE VILLAGE MARKET WITHOUT A SCRATCH ON YOUR SKIN!

EVEN IF I HAVE TO CLIMB ON TREES SOMETIMES...

HE HE HE

WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, KNOT!

AS I WAS SAYING...

CALL ME THE "FEARSOME KNOT", PLEASE!

KNOT JUST WON'T STOP GROWING HUH?

YEAH...

WHAT A LOVELY DAY...

IT SEEMS LIKE IT WAS JUST YESTERDAY THAT SHE WAS HALF THIS SIZE. NOW SHE'S ALREADY TWENTY YEARS OLD ...

WE'RE HERE!

...IN SPIRAL VILLAGE!

IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE!

THANKS TO ME YOU CAN NOW VISIT THE VILLAGE WITHOUT FEAR OF BEING ATTACKED!

YEAH, ALRIGHT, KNOT ...

HEEY! KNOT!!

CYRUS!

MY DAD GOT ME THE NEW EDITION OF SWORDS AND WYVERNS!

SWORDS & WYVERNS

OH MY DOVE!! IS IT THE ONE WITH JOANNA B'ARK?

THAT'S THE ONE! LET'S READ IT TOGETHER!

OH AND THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE...

OH REALLY? WHAT?

I FINALLY GOT A REAL SWORD!

LET'S TRAIN ALL THE SWORD TECHNIQUES FROM THE MAGAZINE

SURE, BUT FIRST ...

A-HEM

MOOOOM... CAN I GO TRAIN WITH CYRUS?

OH, KNOT...

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YOU CAN GO... BUT I'LL REALLY NEED YOUR HELP CARRYING THE GROCERIES WHEN WE RETURN HOME.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, MOM!

AND THERE GOES MY HELP...

WELL, I CAN HELP YOU WITH THE GROCERIES TOO...

GREAT! SO LET'S HURRY ...

...

... AND THANK YOU

LOOK WHO'S HERE! MS. ISABEEHLLE, I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU ALL WEEK!

HI, CLOVER!

WHAT WILL IT BE TODAY? WE JUST GOT SOME FRESH BREAD!

I WANT THE USUAL, MY DEAR!

WELL, SUIT YOURSEFL! HOW HAVE THE THINGS BEEN IN THE FOREST ROADS LATELY?

OH! HAHA, I'VE BEEN ESPECIALLY BUSY THIS WEEK! A LOT OF LOST TRAVELERS SHOWING UP! DIDN'T EVEN HAVE THE TIME TO GO GROCERY SHOPPING

BUT THE VILLAGE IS QUICKLY BECOMING A LANDMARK WITH ALL THIS ACTIVITY AND...

...!

DZOOOO

CHAAAN

A ROYAL GUARD? HERE IN THE VILLAGE?

EASY.

I'LL KEEP AN EYE ON HIM

AAARGH... I CAN'T BELIEVE I LOST AGAIN.

HEH! THIS MAGAZINE HAS SOME PRETTY GREAT MOVES!

VOOSH

LOOK, KNOT A ROYAL GUARD!

LET'S SHOW HIM MY NEW SWORD AND YOUR NEW MOVES AND-

MY TIME...

... IS HERE!

HUH,,,? KNOT?

ARGH... HEADQUARTERS SENT ME TO THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE AGAIN ...

JUST FOR ME TO TELL THESE HILLBILLIES ABOUT THE NEW LAW ...

I'LL JUST STICK THIS HERE AND GET OUT OF THIS HOLE...

MAYBE I'LL FIND MYSELF SOME PLACE TO GRAB A DRINK AFTERWARDS.

HEY, MISTER!

EXCUSE ME, SIR. I'M KNOT AND..

I'D LIKE TO KNOW IF YOU'RE REALLY FROM THE ROYAL GUARD...

ARE YOU?

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YEAH, I AM. WHY?

ME AND MY FRIEND CYRUS REALLY WANT TO JOIN THE ROYAL GUARD.

BUT OUR VILLAGE IS A LITTLE REMOTE, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHERE TO SIGN UP. DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE COULD DO THAT?

EHEEH HEE HAHEE HAHAHEHEE EHEHAHA!!

-HEEH-

GROW UP.

ACTUALLY, IN YOUR CASE, IT'S BETTER TO BE REBORN:-

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HAH:-

YOUR STUPID FACE IS PRICELESS! YOU DON'T GET IT!!

SO, LET ME SPELL IT OUT FOR YOU ...

=: HEEH :=

THE ROYAL GUARD IS COMPOSED OF THE BRAVEST AND MOST ABLE WARRIORS OF LITOS. WE'RE THE ELITE!

FUTHERMORE,

OUR TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT MAKES US THE STRONGEST ARMY IN ALL OF THE LAND.

SO, TELL ME...

WHAT USE WOULD WE HAVE...

...FOR A TINY KITTEN AND A GROSS LIZARD?

=:HEE EH:=

GO STEAL SOME-THING

THAT'S WHAT YOUR KIND DOES BEST ANYWAY!

-:HEH:-

KNOT... FORGET HIM... LET'S GO HOME...

WHAT ARE YOU DOI-

SBLOSH

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE TELLING US WHAT TO DO?!

YOU GONE MAD, GIRL!?

GUH

SO, BESIDES BEING STUPID AND NAÏVE, YOU THINK YOU'RE A MOLE PLAYING WITH DIRT!?

BAM

TAKE A LOOK! AND READ IT OUT LOUD, DUMBASS!

WHAT...

MONOCLASS LAW...?

THAT'S RIGHT! YOU'RE LUCKY THAT THE NEW LAW ISN'T BEING ENFORCED YET, OR I'D BE MUTILATING A HILLBILLY KITTEN WHO THINKS SHE'S A WARRIOR RIGHT HERE AND NOW!

=>HEH<=

NOW YOU KNOW WHO'S IN CHARGE?

=>HEHEHE<=

AAAGGH

TIGER

LEAVE HER ALONE.
OR THE NEXT SHOT IS RIGHT BETWEEN YOUR EYES.

WHAT THE FU-

SOME THINGS ARE JUST DISGUSTING, Y'KNOW...

DIRTY LAUNDRY, BAD SMELLS, ROTTEN FOOD... BUT NOTHING IS WORSE THAN...

... A ROYAL GUARD THAT ATTACKS VILLAGERS FOR NO REASON.

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NO REASON!? THIS CAT HAS ATTACKED AN ON-DUTY GUARD, DISRESPECTING AUTHORITY JUST AFTER THE APPLICATION OF THE MONOCLASS LAW!

THE...

...MONOCLASS LAW?

THAT DOESN'T MATTER! LEAVE THE VILLAGE NOW OR WE WILL CHASE YOU DOWN!

-:HAH:-

YOU AND WHAT ARMY?

LAAAAH

...UH

WHERE DID YOU GUYS CAME FROM ANYWAY?

WHATEVER, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO PROVE TO YOU.

SO LONG, YOU BUNCH OF DIRTY COUNTRY BUMPKINS!

-:AND GOOD LUCK WITH THE NEW LAW! HAH!:-

KNOT...

MOM!!

I-I'M SO SORRY!

I-I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA DIE!

I THOUGHT

CALM DOWN...

EVERYTHING'S FINE. LET'S GO HOME AND FIX YOU LIP, THAT CUT LOOKS NASTY.

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IDO BAHL...

... WHAT ARE YOU SCHEMING?

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